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FOR AF/E (COOTE)

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SUBJECT: PRP LETTER TO MAURICE MARROW

REFS: (A) COOTE-SPAIN LETTER, JAN 26, (B) 75 DAR ES SALAAM A-149

1. SUGGEST THAT MAURICE MARROW BE ADVISED NOT RPT NOT TO RESPOND TO LETTER FROM PRP PRESIDENT KABILA, IF HE HAS NOT ALREADY DONE SO, FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

2. WHILE MARROW DOES NOT INDICATE HOW HE PROPOSED TO REPLY TO LETTER, WE PRESUME HE WOULD SEND REPLY TO TANZANIA FOR DELIVERY TO POST OFFICE BOX IN UJIJI WHICH PRP MAINTAINS (OR MAINTAINED) THERE. LETTER COULD WELL BE INTERCEPTED BY TANGOV OR OTHERS.

3. MARROW'S LETTER APPEARS TO BE PART OF SAME SERIES AS THOSE ADDRESSED AT SAME TIME TO AMERICAN AND NETHERLANDS AMBASSADORS IN DAR ES SALAAM AND DELIVERED HERE BY COURIER (REF B). THE THREE LETTERS ARE OF SAME DATE AND BEAR SERIAL NUMBERS 16, 18 AND 19 RESPECTIVELY. KABILA'S QUOTATION, IN MARROW LETTER, OF PARAGRAPH FROM LETTER TO "ONE OF YOUR COMPATRIOTS" SUGGESTS THAT AT LEAST ONE OTHER LETTER WAS SENT TO AN AMERICAN. QUOTED PASSAGE IS NOT FROM LETTER TO AMERICAN AMBASSADOR, BUT IS IDENTICAL, EXCEPT FOR REFERENCES TO NATIONALITY, TO A PARAGRAPH IN HIS LETTER TO NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR.

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4. IN SENDING THESE LETTERS, KABILA WOULD APPEAR TO BE TRYING TO

OPEN A "DIALOGUE" WITH SOVEREIGN STATES IMPLYING SOME SORT OF RECOGNITION OF HIS MOVEMENT AS AN ENTITY. WE DID NOT RESPOND TO KABILA'S LETTER TO AMERICAN AMBASSADOR, AND TO BEST OUR KNOWLEDGE NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR DID NOT REPLY TO HIS LETTER. LETTER TO MARROW DOES NOT APPEAR TO DEMAND A RESPONSE, AND ITS QUOTED COMPLAINTS OF ALLEGED MISINTERPRETATION OF PRP IN AMERICAN PRESS WOULD SEEM TO BE BOILERPLATE RATHER THAN ANY SPECIFIC ACCUSATION, SINCE HE USED SAME LANGUAGE TO DESCRIBE NETHERLANDS PRESS.

5. OUR CONCERN WOULD BE THAT A RESPONSE TO ANY LETTER FROM KABILA WOULD BE TAKEN AS A SIGN OF ENCOURAGEMENT, WHICH COULD LEAD TO FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE OR, IN THE CASE OF MARROW, AN UNWELCOME PERSONAL APPROACH WHEN HE RETURNS TO KIGOMA. IN ABSENCE OF INDICATIONS THAT FAILURE TO RESPOND WOULD ANGER KABILA AND THUS INCREASE DANGER TO AMERICAN MISSIONARIES IN KIGOMA, AND WE DO NOT SEE SUCH INDICATIONS IN ANY OF THE KABILA LETTERS WE HAVE READ, WE ARE INCLINED TO BELIEVE THAT SILENCE IS THE BEST POLICY.

6. ADVISE.
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